

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name;

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

APPARATUS WITH VISUAL MARKER FOR GUIDING DEPLOYMENT OF IMPLANTABLE PROSTHESIS

the specification of which:

☒ is attached hereto.
☐ was filed on:
as Application No.:
and was amended on:

(if applicable).

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Country	Application Number	Foreign Filing Date (DD/MM/YYYY)	Priority Claimed		Certified Copy Attached	
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Prior Provisional Application(s)

I hereby claim priority under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)

Prior United States Application(s)

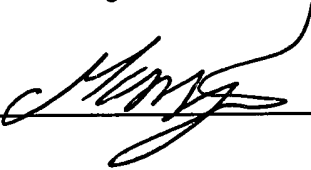
I hereby claim priority under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)	Status - Patented, Pending, Abandoned

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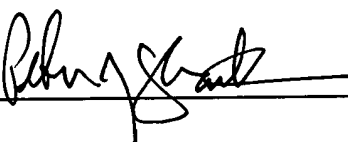
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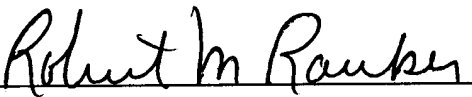
The undersigned assignee of the entire interest for letters patent with assigned patent application entitled "*APPARATUS WITH VISUAL MARKER FOR GUIDING DEPLOYMENT OF IMPLANTABLE PROSTHESIS*" and having the named inventors: Stephan P. MANGIN and Peter J. SHANK, hereby appoints, both jointly and severally, the DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP attorneys and agents associated with Customer Number 32940 as its attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith, said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventor(s) and his (their) attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 3.71; provided that if any one of said attorneys ceases being affiliated with the law firm of DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP as partner, employee or of counsel, such attorney's appointment as attorney and all powers derived there from shall terminate on the date such attorney ceases being so affiliated.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 3.73, the assignee hereby certifies that the evidentiary documents with respect to its ownership have been reviewed and that, to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief, the assignee is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventors of the patent application identified above, a copy of which is attached hereto. The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

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